

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-10, 12 and 13 have been canceled. Claim 11 has been amended to insert the limitations of canceled Claim 1 therein. New Claims 14-24 have been added, which claims contain the limitations of canceled Claims 2-10, 12 and 13.

Claim 20 has been changed to correct an obvious typographical error and now reads "wherein said uncrossed linked water-insoluble polymer contains uncrosslinked ethylene-vinyl acetate and uncrosslinked 1,2-polybutadiene; a content of said uncrosslinked ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer...". Claim 24 has been changed to correct an obvious typographical error so that the claim reads "wherein a content of said uncrosslinked ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer...", since Claim 24 was rewritten from canceled Claim 13, which was dependent on Claim 9 and referred to "uncrosslinked ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer". No new matter has been entered into the amended claim or new claims. This application is now ready for examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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